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ANNUAL REPORT
of the
PARKS AND RECREATION
DEPARTMENT
for the
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1971

BOSTON, December 31, 1971

HON. KEVIN H. WHITE
Mayor of Boston.

DEAR SIR:

In accordance with Section 15 of Chapter 185, Acts of 1875, the Parks and Recreation Commission herewith submits its annual report for the year 1971.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH E. CURTIS,
Chairman, Board of Parks
and Recreation Commissioners.

SIMON C. FIREMAN,
J. LED McCARTHY,
WILLIAM SCOTT,
JAMES P. SULLIVAN,
Associate Commissioners.

PETER G. MEADE,
GEORGE J. TAYLOR,
Assistant Commissioners.

Introduction

The Department of Parks and Recreation had its beginning with the appointment of the first Board of Park Commissioners on July 8, 1875, under the title "Park Department." The Board consisted of three members who served without compensation. As thus constituted, the department continued up to 1913, when by provision of Chapter 10, Ordinances of 1912, it was merged with the Public Grounds, Bath and Music Departments, under the name of Park and Recreation Department. The Commissioners were appointed by the Mayor for a term of three years, one term expiring each year. The Chairman was a paid city official, in charge of the operation of the department. The other two members served without compensation.

In 1920 the Cemetery Department was merged with the Park and Recreation Department, and the title was changed to Park Department. On May 1, 1954, the Department became the Parks and Recreation Department under the provisions of Chapter 2, Ordinances of 1954. The Board of Parks and Recreation Commissioners was increased to five members.

Under the latest ordinance, the Commissioner of Parks and Recreation becomes the active head of the department with power of authority far beyond that which existed when the Board consisted of three members (Section 36-42, inclusive, Chapter 2, Ordinances of 1954). The Commissioners meet as required on call from the Chairman.

The department is responsible for the maintenance and improvement of approximately 2,300 acres of parks and playgrounds. Included in this area are the following facilities: 125 playgrounds and play areas, 47 of which have field houses; 20 parks, large and small; 2 service yards containing offices, mechanics' shops, storehouse, and garage; a recreation office building; 13 indoor recreation centers; 16 public bathhouses; 2 public golf courses (18 holes) both with clubhouses; 3 public bathing beaches with bathhouses in which are 2 solaria; 4 swimming pools (2 indoor and 2 outdoor) and 4 portable pools; 82 public squares; 16 greenhouses; 19 cemeteries (3 active, 16 inactive or historic); 108 miles of parkways, driveways, walks, and paths; 131 acres of ponds and rivers; and the care and maintenance of all trees on city streets, parks, and playgrounds (1966 Statistics).

The department organizes, promotes, and conducts a city-wide recreation program for all age groups with special emphasis on youth programs.

This report summarizes briefly the efforts of the Parks and Recreation Commission and the staff of the department to

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maintain a high standard in essential services and to expand the facilities of our park system to meet the needs of the department within our appropriation allowances.

In this report there is no particular attention given to the extensive maintenance responsibilities of the Parks and Recreation Department. Reference to the introductory section of this report will indicate the large number of areas, buildings, etc., that require most of the time of our staff. It should be apparent that much of our appropriation is expended for the maintenance and improvement of parks, gardens, park and recreation buildings, mechanics' shops, golf courses, cemeteries, etc. Proper maintenance is the key to efficient service. We are confining this report to major work accomplished in 1971, all of which is substantially outside the area of general maintenance.

Recreation in Boston

The demand for recreation activities in Boston is rapidly increasing and will continue to increase during the next decade.

By the end of this era, labor will be on a four day week and by the end of the century a four day leisure-time week will be a reality.

Emphasis was placed on activities that were demanding and creative and were geared whenever possible to the special interest of participants.

During the appropriate seasons of 1970-1971, 7500 or more individuals participated in softball, baseball, handball, basketball, and volleyball leagues and tournaments sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department.

The Parks and Recreation Department also maintains two golf courses and continued to run a Junior Golf Program for many youngsters at these facilities.

The sailing and boating program sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department proved rather successful and popular with increased participation and quality services.

A Boston day camp was offered daily for children 10 to 12 years of age. The day camp was located in Westwood, Massachusetts. Swimming instructions and competition were offered during all seasons of the year.

A recreation program was conducted for both retarded and handicapped children during the winter months which included sports, games, and handicrafts. During the summer months the recreation program was available for boys and girls at four Parks and Recreation playgrounds. The day camp program for

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retarded and handicapped youngsters was conducted at Camp Joy-Cassidy Playgrounds.

Boston now has a well established program for these exceptional youngsters.

Boston's Parks and Recreation Department recognizes all ages and many programs are provided for Senior Citizens to form new friendships and discover new interests. Day long bus tours originating from seven senior citizen centers took citizens on excursions to the seashore. Many special events such as the Mayor's Picnic, Christmas parties, Valentine and holiday parties included the older residents of Boston.

Sports programs such as the Boston Neighborhood Hockey Leagues continued to expand with at least 2000 youngsters from twelve neighborhood districts, participating in the leagues.

Free tennis instructions, clinics, and tournaments were offered during the summer at many of our facilities. A track development program for boys and girls was conducted on a city-wide basis with track meets during the summer months. Boston hosted the Qualifying Atlantic-Richfield Jesse Owens Meet and in track and field, bowling, and basketball. Frisbee and hula-hoop contests on the Boston Common drew many talented participants. The "kite festival" attracted many kite enthusiasts to Franklin Park. The fishing derby again attracted young fishermen to Jamaica Pond.

Summerthing took musical, theatre, films, flower planting and handicraft programs to many at the city neighborhood playgrounds and streets.

Under cover Boston's Recreation Services were expanded through close cooperation with private agencies (YMCA, Boy's Clubs, Ecology groups, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, etc.).

In the field of conservation, the year 1971 saw many programs of tree planting and clean-up campaigns.

The Community School concept became a reality. The Parks and Recreation Department provides, after school hours, a recreation program. Swimming instruction and recreational swimming were offered all year round. Basketball leagues, cooking classes, fitness classes, etc., met neighborhood needs and interests.

A bikeway for all to enjoy stretches from Boston Common to Franklin Park. Nineteen-seventy-one was a year when a diversity of programs was available for both children and adults. The Boston Parks & Recreation Dept. continued to expand in the areas of both active and leisure recreation.

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RECREATION FACILITIES IN 1971

1. FURNISHING ELECTRICIANS AND HELPERS ON AN HOURLY BASIS.
Electrical Construction Company, March 30, 1971,
\$5,613.00.
2. GRASS CUTTING, HEDGE CLIPPING AND CLEANUP IN SPECIFIED AREAS OF ROXBURY, DORCHESTER, JAMAICA PLAIN & MATTAPAN.
Bill's Landscaping Service, June 1, 1971,
\$31,400.22.
3. FURNISHING BUS TRANSPORTATION.
Brush Hill Transportation Co., June 22, 1971,
\$49,297.00.
4. CHAIN LINK FENCING AT PLAY AREA, SUMNER AND LAMSON STREETS, EAST BOSTON, MASS.
Ace Fence Co., June 22, 1971, \$3,981.00.
5. INSTANT POOL RELOCATION - PARIS ST. PLAYGROUND TO EAST BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL, E. BOSTON.
O'Donnell & Egan Const. Co., July 20, 1971,
\$12,180.00.
6. COMPLETING THE IMPROVEMENTS AT MISSION HILL, MARY HANNON, GERTRUDE HOWES PLAYGROUNDS & ORCHARD PARK, ROXBURY.
O'Donnell & Egan Const. Co., August 10, 1971,
\$114,440.00.
7. DEVELOPMENT OF BURIAL AREAS AT MT. HOPE CEMETERY, WFST ROXBURY.
DeRoma Bros. Corp., and Capone Bros., Inc.,
August 17, 1971, \$51,198.08.
8. FURNISHING & ERRECTING A SIXTY FOOT SPRUCE CHRISTMAS TREE ON BOSTON COMMON.
The Frost & Higgins Co., September 14, 1971,
\$3,862.00.
9. FURNISHING & PLANTING TREES AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.
C & A Const. Co., Inc., September 28, 1971,
\$24,152.00.
10. INSTALLATION OF FLOODLIGHTING EQUIPMENT AT McCONNELL PARK, DORCHESTER.
South Boston Const. Co., September 28, 1971,
\$138,798.84.

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RECREATION FACILITIES IN 1971

11. SITE DEVELOPMENT AT QUINCY AND STANLEY STS.,
McLAUGHLIN, OAK SQUARE PLAYGROUNDS.
Educational Play Equip., Inc., October 5, 1971,
\$51,693.00.
12. REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL OF DEAD OR DISEASED TREES IN
THE CITY OF BOSTON.
Maltby and Company, October 12, 1971, \$15,729.00.
13. SITE DEVELOPMENT AT W. THIRD ST., McCONNELL AND
PUTNAM PARK PLAYGROUNDS.
Educational Play Equip., Inc., October 19, 1971,
\$84,875.00.
14. INSTALLATION OF ACRYLIC PROTECTIVE SHIELDS AND LAMP
REPLACEMENT ON FLOODLIGHTS AT VARIOUS GAME COURTS.
Electrical Const. Co., Inc., November 2, 1971,
\$26,329.35.
15. ALTERATIONS TO DRAINAGE SYSTEM - JOHN H.L. NOYES
PLAYGROUND, EAST BOSTON, MASS.
Mario Susi & Son, Inc., December 7, 1971,
\$98,985.00.
16. CONSTRUCTION OF RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AT MARY
HEMENWAY PLAYGROUND, DORCHESTER.
State Street Engineering Co., December 14, 1971,
\$11,700.00.
17. CONSTRUCTION OF RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AT THOS. J.
ROBERTS PLAYGROUND, DORCHESTER.
Hufarelli Gen. Const. Co., Inc., December 14, 1971,
\$36,000.00.
18. CONSTRUCTION OF RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AT WESLEY G.
ROSS PLAYGROUND, HYDE PARK.
P. Leone Const. Co., Inc., December 14, 1971,
\$16,900.00.
19. CONSTRUCTION OF WALKS, STAIRWAYS AND FENCING AT
ROGERS PARK, BRIGHTON.
Hufarelli Gen. Const. Co., Inc., December 14, 1971,
\$12,470.00.
20. ROADWAY REPAIRS AT COMMONWEALTH AVENUE AND
FRANKLIN PARK.
Baker & Company, Inc., December 28, 1971,
\$25,376.81.
21. IMPROVEMENTS TO WALKS IN THE BOSTON COMMON.
Brendan Corp., December 28, 1971, \$69,773.00.

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

EXPENDITURES FOR MAINTENANCE, January 1, 1971 to

December 31, 1971

PARKS, GARDENS, SQUARES

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Adams, Irving, Park | \$ 10,987.54 |
| Arnold Arboretum | 3,454.46 |
| Back Bay District | 300.00 |
| Back Bay Yard | 114,909.30 |
| Boston Common Ball Park | 1,636.47 |
| Boston Common Bandstand | 2,330.66 |
| Boston Common Convenience Stations | 10,354.17 |
| Boston Common Deer Park, Tool House | 1,070.14 |
| Boston Common Frog Pond | 969.18 |
| Boston Common Grounds | 144,837.52 |
| Boston Common Information Booth | 1,175.47 |
| Boylston Street Subway Telephone Booth | 300.91 |
| Brighton District | 74,627.65 |
| Charlestown District | 49,177.67 |
| Christmas Festival | 14,638.72 |
| Circuit Drive | 475.50 |
| Columbus Park | 47,829.52 |
| Columbus Park Stadium | 26,299.83 |
| Commercial & Causeway Streets | 1,500.00 |
| Commonwealth & Massachusetts Aves. | 15,213.56 |
| Commonwealth Avenue Mall | 76,628.50 |
| Commonwealth Avenue Underpass | 697.65 |
| Community Clean-up | 125.16 |
| Concord Square | 483.35 |
| Copley Square | 32,978.91 |
| Coppin's Park | 1,975.00 |
| Copp's Hill | 6,827.70 |
| Cummings, Mary P. C., Estate | 494.10 |
| Dartmouth Street Mall | 4,635.00 |
| Devine, William J., Golf Course | 40,328.20 |
| Donovan Park | 1,900.80 |
| Dorchester Heights | 7,118.31 |
| East Boston District | 71,226.82 |
| East Boston Stadium | 32,621.19 |
| Fens Rose Garden | 48,823.52 |
| Fens Stadium | 25,572.18 |
| Franklin Park Administration | |
| Buildings, Shops, Yards, Etc. | 358,403.59 |
| Franklin Park Blacksmith Shop | 625.02 |
| Franklin Park Boat Locker & Boat Shop | 742.33 |
| Franklin Park Canvas Shop | 1,417.87 |
| Franklin Park Carpenter Shop | 81,526.99 |
| Franklin Park Garage | 114,305.73 |
| Franklin Park Greenhouse | 192,199.26 |
| Franklin Park Grounds | 70,735.76 |
| Franklin Park Harness Shop | 7,508.10 |
| Franklin Park Lawn Mower Shop | 55,570.65 |

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| Franklin Park Paint Shop | 119,456.28 |
| Franklin Park Plumber Shop | 4,812.90 |
| Franklin Park Refectory Building | 7,119.84 |
| Franklin Park Repair Shops | 101,406.09 |
| Franklin Park Storehouse | 29,918.14 |
| Franklin Park Tree Nursery | 2,049.83 |
| Gardner Street | 1,617.12 |
| Hale Camp | 2,288.00 |
| Harris, Horatio, Park | 9,998.40 |
| Harvard Mall | 8,429.70 |
| Jamaica Pond Bandstand | 1,337.48 |
| Jamaica Pond Boathouse | 1,980.62 |
| Jamaica Pond Shelter | 1,127.66 |
| Kelly, William C., Square | 1,995.00 |
| Mozart Street | 13,774.68 |
| My Friend The Policeman | 3,750.00 |
| New Congress Street Park | 1,750.00 |
| North End Prado | 28,683.84 |
| North Square | 1,970.00 |
| Oak Square | 425.00 |
| Orchard Park | 2,789.11 |
| Parkman House | 482.08 |
| Parkman Plaza | 2,851.79 |
| Peabody Square | 439.60 |
| Pembroke Street | 513.71 |
| Pinebank Building | 1,801.80 |
| Port Norfork Square | 1,995.00 |
| Plympton Court | 471.00 |
| Portsmouth Street | 908.42 |
| Preble Street Traffic Circle | 4,080.46 |
| Public Garden | 75,820.68 |
| Rabbi Shubow Park | 300.00 |
| Revere, Paul, Mall | 447.21 |
| Ringgold corner of Hanson Street | 687.70 |
| Roxbury District | 54,344.93 |
| Rutland Square | 301.71 |
| Small Parks and Squares | 62,271.70 |
| South Boston - Dorchester District | 62,358.70 |
| Sumner and Lawson Streets | 4,195.05 |
| Union Park | 492.60 |
| Washington Park | 3,391.55 |
| West End District | 10,074.85 |
| West Roxbury District | 42,230.34 |
| Wright, George, Garage | 1,894.97 |
| Wright, George, Golf Course | 153,482.91 |
| TOTAL | \$2,590,078.41 |

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PLAYGROUNDS

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Alford Street Playground | 297.37 |
| Almont Street Playground | 23,613.75 |
| American Legion Playground | 17,157.09 |
| Barry Playground | 17,062.27 |
| Billings Field | 24,478.46 |
| Bradford Street Playground | 1,554.30 |
| Brookside Avenue Playground | 3,024.85 |
| Erophy Park | 1,786.06 |
| Carter, William E., Playground | 14,654.34 |
| Cassidy, Walter, Playground | 30,711.87 |
| Ceylon Street Playground | 15,462.58 |
| Clifford Street Play Area | 4,224.28 |
| Connolly, John J., Playground | 150.17 |
| Cronin, James F., Playground | 15,607.32 |
| Cuttillo, V., Playground | 1,993.50 |
| Defillippo Playground | 2,155.48 |
| Doherty, John A., Playground | 35,677.02 |
| Dorchester Park | 7,757.15 |
| Draper, Mary, Playground | 10,790.72 |
| Eustis, William, Playground | 1,406.45 |
| Fallon Field Playground | 14,018.11 |
| Ferrara Field | 555.42 |
| Franklin Field | 53,613.41 |
| Garvey, William H., Playground | 44,533.57 |
| Gibson, Christopher, Playground | 30,742.22 |
| Handicap Program | 4,319.85 |
| Hannon, Mary | 19,093.50 |
| Healy, James F., Playground | 31,433.45 |
| Hemenway, Mary, Playground | 26,819.25 |
| Highland Park | 255.15 |
| Hobart Street | 784.00 |
| Howes, Gertrude | 21,009.15 |
| Hynes Playground | 9,816.65 |
| Jefferson Playground | 31,258.64 |
| Lee, Christopher, Playground | 24,027.12 |
| McCarthy, Leo F., Playground | 6,980.20 |
| McConnell Park Playground | 26,408.78 |
| McKinney Playground | 1,154.68 |
| McLaughlin, Joseph D., Playground | 585.96 |
| Mission Hill Playground | 21,422.87 |
| Murphy, John W., Playground | 25,090.04 |
| Murray Playground | 3,735.06 |
| Noyes, John H. L., Playground | 16,176.41 |
| O'Day, Thomas, Playground | 361.03 |
| Parker Hill Playground | 8,244.09 |
| Parkman, Francis, Playground | 5,846.45 |
| Playgrounds, General | 93,458.48 |
| Ringer, Stanley A., Playground | 5,304.97 |
| Roberts, Thomas J., Playground | 21,545.70 |
| Rogers Park Playground | 24,133.82 |
| Ronan Park Playground | 19,591.72 |

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| Ross, Wesley, Playground | 20,696.63 |
| Rotch, Lester J., Playground | 8,096.70 |
| Ryan, John J., Playground | 23,247.24 |
| Saratoga & Byron Street Tot Lot | 1,965.00 |
| Smith Pond Playground | 10,868.10 |
| Smith, William F., Playground | 13,654.56 |
| Sweeney Playground | 1,873.70 |
| Summerthing | 311,145.00 |
| Thetford Street Play Area | 15,243.34 |
| Walker, George H., Playground | 2,506.22 |
| Walsh, William G., Playground | 14,816.23 |
| Winthrop, John Playground | 2,098.80 |
| TOTAL | \$1,251,096.30 |

RECREATION DIVISION - Administration \$1,422,251.75

BATHS, BEACHES, POOLS, RECREATION CENTERS

| | |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Bath Administration | \$ 5,781.10 |
| Bath, General | 3,335.56 |
| Cabot Street Bath, Pool, Center | 77,877.94 |
| Charlestown Pool (Outdoor) | 100,196.09 |
| Curtis Hall Bath, Pool, Center | 10,496.30 |
| Hyde Park Building | 6,420.71 |
| L Street Bathhouse and Beach | 207,388.43 |
| North Bennet Street Bath Center | 69,078.78 |
| North End Park Beach, Bath, & Pool | 116,164.96 |
| Paris Street Bath Center | 62,868.15 |
| Roslindale Gym | 1,173.20 |
| Tobin Building Center | 6,657.16 |
| TOTAL | \$ 667,438.38 |

GENERAL EXPENSES

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Central Offices - Administration | \$ 395,764.66 |
| Street Trees | 487,220.02 |
| Automobiles, Tractors, Trucks, Etc. | <u>351,883.49</u> |
| TOTAL | \$ 1,234,868.17 |

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RECAPITULATION

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| Parks, Gardens, Squares | \$2,453,623.90 |
| Playgrounds | 1,055,503.05 |
| Baths, Beaches, Pools, Recreation Centers | 657,874.24 |
| Recreation Division, Administration | 1,394,162.74 |
| General Expenses | 999,604.22 |
| Equipment | 65,896.30 |
| Repairs to Buildings & Structures | 8,648.46 |
| Park & Playground Improvements, Etc. | 362,888.42 |
| Planting & Replacement of Trees | <u>167,531.68</u> |
| TOTAL | <u><u>\$7,165,733.01</u></u> |

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Expenditures of Revenue and Nonrevenue, Special Appropriation and Trust Funds, January 1, 1971, to December 31, 1971

| | |
|--|-----------------|
| Improvement of Boston Common | \$193,723.87 |
| Mary P. C. Cummings Trust Fund, | |
| Income | 6,473.71 |
| Michael Cahill Fund, Income | <u>4,500.00</u> |
| | \$204,697.58 |

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CASH RECEIPTS
For Twelve Months Ending December 31, 1971

PARK DIVISION

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|---|---------------------|
| William J. Devine Golf Course. | \$ 13,684.50 |
| George Wright Golf Course. | 49,777.00 |
| Permits for Signs, Openings, etc. . . . | 65.50 |
| Commissions on Public Telephones in Park Department Buildings. | 5,232.34 |
| Settlement of Claims for Damages . . . | 3,357.81 |
| Miscellaneous | 45.96 |
| Reimbursement from Commonwealth of Massachusetts (mentally retarded and physically handicapped children's summer & winter recreation programs). | 35,011.04 |
| Commonwealth of Massachusetts-B.O.R. Program (50% federal grant). . . . | 103,806.32 |
| U.S. Government Manpower Development and Training Act of 1962. | 11,110.00 |
| Rentals from Property & Concessions. . . . | 10,602.60 |
| Boston Common Tree Fund, Income. . . . | 337.16 |
| Randridge Trust Fund, Income | 2,763.30 |
| Babcock Music Fund, Income | 164.28 |
| Foss Flag Fund, Income | 105.84 |
| Foss 17th June Fund, Income | 105.84 |
| Mary P.C. Cummings Trust Fund, Income | 9,108.23 |
| Parkman Fund, Income | <u>\$220,000.00</u> |
| | \$465,277.72 |

BATH DIVISION

| | |
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| Income from Solarium | \$ 100.30 |
| | 100.30 |
| | <u>\$465.378.02</u> |

Above receipts were credited as follows:

| | |
|---|----------------------|
| General Revenue | \$ 221,683.37 |
| Trust Funds, Income | 232,584.65 |
| U.S. Government Manpower Development and Training Act of 1962 | 11,110.00 |
| | <u>\$ 465,378.02</u> |

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GEORGE WRIGHT GOLF COURSE
1971

Opening Date, April 15. Closing Date, November 28.

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| Annual Permits, 350 at \$75. | \$ 26,250.00 |
| Annual Permits, 5 at \$150 | 750.00 |
| Weekend-Holiday Permits, 3,040 at \$3 | 9,120.00 |
| Monday through Friday Permits, 4 at \$3 | 12.00 |
| Monday through Friday Permits, 4,816 at \$2.50 | 12,040.00 |
| Lockers, 321 at \$5. | <u>1,605.00</u> |
| Total | \$ 49,777.00 |

WILLIAM J. DEVINE GOLF COURSE

1971

Opening Date, April 15. Closing Date, November 28.

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| Annual Permits, 116 at \$50. | \$ 5,800.00 |
| Weekend-Holiday Permits, 3 at \$3.50 | 10.50 |
| Weekend-Holiday Permits, 1,504 at \$2.50 | 3,760.00 |
| Monday through Friday Permits, 19 at \$2.50. | 47.50 |
| Monday through Friday Permits, 1,650 at \$2.00 | 3,300.00 |
| Twilight Permits, 511 at \$1.50. | 766.50 |
| Total | \$ 13,684.50 |

ATTENDANCE RECORDS

1971

Playgrounds, Shower Baths, Beaches, and Swimming Pools,
Gymnasiums

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| Playgrounds, Summer Attendance | 8,650,000 |
| Playgrounds, Winter Attendance (Skating) | 4,350,000 |
| Shower Baths | 108,000 |
| Beaches and Swimming Pools | 770,000 |
| Solarium | 2,850 |
| Gymnasiums Class and Individual Attendance | 421,000 |
| Total | <u>14,301,850</u> |

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CEMETERY DIVISION

The following annual report is presented for the Cemetery Division from January 1, 1971 to December 31, 1971.

DEPARTMENT CEMETRIES

The burying grounds, cemeteries, and tombs which are owned by and in charge of the City of Boston are as follows with a total area of about 7,040,708 square feet:

| | Square Feet | Estab- lished |
|---|----------------|------------------|
| Bennington Street, East Boston | 157,500 | 1838 |
| Bunker Hill, Charlestown | 48,202 | 1807 |
| Phipps Street, Charlestown | 76,740 | 1630 |
| Copp's Hill, Hull Street, City | 89,015 | 1659 |
| King's Chapel, Tremont Street, City | 19,344 | 1630 |
| Granary, Tremont Street, City | 82,063 | 1660 |
| Central, Common, City | 60,693 | 1756 |
| South End South, Washington Street, City | 64,670 | 1810 |
| Hawes, Emerson Street, South Boston | 11,232 | 1816 |
| Union, East Fifth Street, South Boston | 5,470 | 1841 |
| North, Uphams Corner, Dorchester | 142,587 | 1633 |
| Eliot, Eustis Street, Roxbury | 34,830 | 1630 |
| South, Dorchester Avenue, Dorchester | 95,462 | 1814 |
| Westerly, Centre Street, West Roxbury | 39,450 | 1683 |
| Walter Street, West Roxbury | 35,100 | 1711 |
| Evergreen, Commonwealth Avenue, Brighton | 604,520 | 1848 |
| Market Street, Brighton | 18,072 | 1764 |
| Mount Hope, Walk Hill Street, 125 acres and 14,330 square feet | | 1851 |
| Fairview, Fairview Avenue, Hyde Park, about 50 acres | | 1892 |

CITY TOMBS

Twenty-five in the South Ground; six in Phipps Street Ground, Charlestown; one tomb for infants in South Ground; one tomb for infants and one for adults in Copp's Hill Ground; one for adults and one for infants in the Granary Ground; one for infants in King's Chapel Ground; one for infants in the Central Ground; two receiving tombs in East Boston; one receiving tomb in Dorchester North; one receiving tomb in Dorchester South; one receiving tomb in Evergreen Cemetery, Brighton; one receiving tomb in Mount Hope Cemetery; and one receiving tomb in Fairview Cemetery, Hyde Park.

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Cemetery Division Receipts,
January 1 to December 31, 1971

| CEMETERIES | General Receipts | Perpetual Care Receipts | Interest on Perpetual Care |
|------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Mount Hope..... | \$150,635.00 | \$52,080.00 | \$52,118.89 |
| Fairview..... | 28,685.00 | 15,557.26 | 18,859.12 |
| Evergreen..... | 26,570.00 | 13,182.50 | 22,962.85 |
| Dorchester North | ..... | ..... | 559.94 |
| Dorchester South | ..... | ..... | 170.84 |
| Central..... | ..... | ..... | 151.44 |
| Copp's Hill..... | ..... | ..... | 151.44 |
| Granary..... | ..... | ..... | 151.44 |
| King's Chapel... | ..... | ..... | 151.44 |
| Westerly..... | ..... | ..... | 196.64 |
| Bunker Hill..... | ..... | ..... | 2.05 |
| Phipps Street... | ..... | ..... | 13.22 |
| Office..... | 150.00 | ..... | ..... |
| Totals..... | \$206,040.00 | \$80,819.00 | \$95,489.31 |

Total Book Value of General Fund,

December 31, 1970

\$5,522,543.59

Interest, General Fund, 1971 \$227,595.81

Revenue (General Receipts) 1971 207,420.09

425,015.90

\$5,957,559.49

Payments from Fund During 1971:

Refund \$225.00

Transfer to Appropriation 515,221.22

515,446.22

Total Book Value of General Fund,

December 31, 1971

\$5,442,113.27

Total, Perpetual Care Fund,

December 31, 1971

1,951,326.88

Total Cemetery Funds

\$7,393,440.15

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Summary Statement of Cemetery Activities
January 1 to December 31, 1971

| CEMETERIES | Interments | Lots Sold | Graves Sold | Lots in Perpetual Care | Graves in Perpetual Care | Foundations Built | Preparing and Maintaining Order |
|------------------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| | | | | | | | |
| Mount Hope | 1,598 | 395 | 11 | 11,843 | 2,117 | 273 | 7 1 |
| Fairview..... | 222 | 20 | 52 | 1,328 | 2,181 | 80 | .. .. |
| Evergreen | 196 | 17 | 68 | 1,405 | 3,813 | 83 | 1 .. |
| Dorchester North ..... | ..... | .... | .... | .... | 2 | .... | .... |
| Westerly..... | ..... | .... | .... | .... | 1 | .... | .... |
| Phipps Street.. | ..... | .... | .... | .... | 1 | .... | .... |
| Bunker Hill.... | ..... | .... | .... | .... | 1 | .... | .... |
| Totals..... | 2,016 | 432 | 131 | 14,576 | 8,116 | 436 | 8 1 |

Cemetery Division Expenditures for Maintenance
Year Ending December 31, 1971

| | |
|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Office | \$45,584.70 |
| Mount Hope..... | 405,215.46 |
| Fairview..... | 70,823.12 |
| Evergreen | 81,675.80 |
| Dorchester North..... | 6,211.03 |
| Dorchester South..... | 3,601.65 |
| Granary | 6,177.21 |
| King's Chapel..... | 5,311.15 |
| Central | 2,394.19 |
| Phipps Street..... | 1,710.27 |
| Bunker Hill | 1,710.27 |
| Bennington Street..... | 3,104.87 |
| Eliot Street..... | 1,376.54 |
| South End South..... | 1,376.53 |
| Copp's Hill.... | 6,406.56 |
| Market Street | 1,608.64 |
| Hawes and Emerson | 2,805.92 |
| Westerly | 1,275.65 |
| Parks and Recreation..... | 14,668.40 |
| | <u>\$663,037.96</u> |